

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Aoki et al.) Examiner:	Chih Min Kam
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Ser. No.:	10/630,587) Art Unit:	1656
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For:	Post-Operative Pain Treatment by)	
	Peripheral Administration of a)	
	Neurotoxin) Irvine, California	

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND RESPONSE TO FINAL
OFFICE ACTION MAILED April 10, 2006**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This submission is a response to the final Office Action (the "Office Action") mailed April 10, 2006. Applicants petition for a 3-month extension of time to reply to the final Office Action and request continued examination and reconsideration of the rejections of record in light of the amendments and remarks provided below.